

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3199
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DELAY IN FLIGHTS
LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the flights of Indian Airlines and Alliance Air are usually delayed due to poor maintenance of aircraft;
- (b) if so, whether in the first week of July on Delhi-Mumbai-Aurangabad route the passengers were deplaned and asked to board another plane;
- (c) if so, the measures proposed to check such occurrences in future; and
- (d) the number and type of planes with the two companies at present alongwith the number of daily flights and their routes?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

- (a): No, Sir.
- (b): On 04.07.2002 Airbus A-320 aircraft VT-EPD scheduled to operate IC-887 on the sectors Delhi-Mumbai-Aurangabad developed a snag. As the rectification of snag required engine ground run up, the passengers were deplaned and another A-320 aircraft was offered for flight.
- (c): All such incidents and snags are monitored and investigated by Quality Control Division. Daily snag meetings are held at all major bases and all snags and rectification actions are reviewed and corrective action, if any, is advised to Maintenance Division on regular basis.
- (d): The number and type of aircraft in Indian Airlines/ Alliance Air fleet are :-

Type of aircraft No. of aircraft.

Airbus A-320	36
Airbus A-300 B2/B4	07
Boeing 737-200	11
Dornier DO 228	03

The average number of flights operated by Indian Airlines including Alliance Air in the summer schedule is 195 per day and the average number of daily departures is 280.